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   Special report of the Secretary-General on the review of the mandate of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (S/2017/293)

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abyei (S/2017/312)

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10:00 — 35th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [item 149]

United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/71/689, A/71/828*, A/71/836/Add.10 and A/71/798)

Introduction and general discussion

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Morning (Following 35th meeting) to 11:30	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 154 (Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/71/674, A/71/832* and A/71/836/Add.11))	
11:30 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 149 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/71/689, A/71/828*, A/71/836/Add.10 and A/71/798))	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 151 (Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (A/71/651, A/71/819 and A/71/836/Add.8))	
	Informal consultations on agenda item 161 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (A/71/653, A/71/841 and A/71/836/Add.15))	

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group V (Insolvency)
Fifty-first session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Security Council

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)
Regional outreach meeting

15:00 to 16:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11
	His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi (Italy), Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006), will convene the fourth in a series of regional outreach meetings, for Member States of the Western European and Others Group. The purpose of the meeting will be to explore challenges and opportunities for a better understanding and more effective implementation of the Security Council sanctions regime regarding the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), particularly resolutions 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016). At the meeting, participants will hear briefings by the Chair of the 1718 Committee, the Secretary of the 1718 Committee and the Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009), followed by an interactive discussion.	

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2127 (2013) concerning the Central African Republic

16:30 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

1. Presentation of the progress update of the Panel of Experts on the CAR pursuant to paragraph 28 (d) of resolution 2339 (2017)
2. Briefing on the progress of weapons and ammunition management in the Central African Republic by Paul Heslop, Chief of the Programme Planning & Management Section, United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS)
3. Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

10:00 to 13:00 Informal informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 12

15:00 to 18:00 Informal informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 12

On the draft conclusions and recommendations of the 2017 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up, convened by the co-facilitators (Belgium and South Africa)

Coordination and management meeting

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room E

On the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases" (under agenda item 12 (f)) convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum" (under agenda item 126 (q)) (convened by the delegation of the Federated States of Micronesia)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Group of 77 (on oceans)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (Geographical Representation and Gender Balance)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group Meeting

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Monday, 15 May 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal meeting (closed) for a continuation of the interactive dialogue that was held between permanent missions and the Secretariat on 15 March 2017, as mandated in General Assembly resolution 70/305 and to assess and reflect on the innovative proposals outlined by the Secretariat on the possible changes to the format and production of the United Nations Journal pursuant to Assembly resolution 70/305

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org)).

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level SDG Action Event on Innovation

Wednesday, 17 May 2017

10:00 to 11:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Segment 1: From linear to exponential innovation

11:00 to 12:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Segment 2: A new era of connected problem solvers

12:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Segment 3: Action on innovation and breakthrough technology

15:00 to 17:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Segment 4: Interactive discussion on opportunities and risks

17:00 to 17:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Segment 5: Conclusion and way forward

For more information on the event, please *click here*.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Monday, 5, to Friday, 9 June 2017

The United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development will be held at United Nations Headquarters from Monday, 5 to Friday, 9 June 2017, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/303 of 9 September 2016. For further information, please *click here*.

The provisional agenda and provisional rules of procedure of the Conference have been issued as documents A/CONF.230/1 and A/CONF.230/2, respectively.

The Conference will include *eight plenary meetings*, which will be held in the General Assembly Hall, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00;

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Wednesday, 7 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings, the "General debate" *is open*. Requests for inscription from the States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, for the general debate should be sent through the e-Speakers system available through the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of request for inscription.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be established on a first-come first-served basis with the customary protocol that ensures that Heads of States or Government speak first, followed by other heads of delegation. The European Union will be included in the list of speakers. It is proposed that a time limit of *five minutes* be established for each statement, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts. All delegations prior to the delivery of the statements are kindly requested to e-mail a copy of their statement to papersmart@un.org, indicating in the subject line: "Statement and Name of Country or Organization". Where possible, statements should be provided one day in advance of delivery or at *least three hours before* delivery of statement.

In addition, representatives of the following organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate: (a) intergovernmental organizations and other entities that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the capacity of observer in the sessions and work of all international conferences convened under its auspices (rule 60 of the provisional rules of procedure); (b) other intergovernmental organizations (rule 63); (c) associate members of regional commissions (rule 61); (d) specialized agencies and related organizations (rule 62); and (e) United Nations organs (rule 64). These representatives may contact the Secretariat (c/o Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org)) to be inscribed in the list of speakers.

Also, representatives of non-governmental organizations (rule 65), civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector and philanthropic organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate. These representatives are invited to indicate their interest to speak by using the form (*click here*). Preference will be given to statements that are delivered on behalf of groups of organizations.

The *seven partnership dialogues* will be held in Conference Room 4, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Addressing marine pollution";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Managing, protecting, conserving and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Minimizing and addressing ocean acidification";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Making fisheries sustainable";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing economic benefits to small islands developing States and least developed countries and

providing access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets";

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing scientific knowledge and developing research capacity and transfer of marine technology"; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Enhancing the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by implementing international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea".

The partnership dialogues, *open* to all participants accredited to the Conference, will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature. The partnership dialogues will begin with a panel discussion, followed by an interactive dialogue among participants. Interventions in the interactive debate should be limited to *three minutes*. The order of speakers for each partnership dialogue will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, bearing in mind equitable geographical distribution while allowing for some flexibility with priority given to States according to the level of representation, followed by intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, United Nations system, major groups and other relevant actors. It is envisaged that up to 25 States and 15 other participants will be accommodated to speak in the interactive debate of each partnership dialogue.

States and the associate members of regional commissions participating in the Conference are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017*.

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations and other entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, and United Nations organs are also requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017*.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other major groups as well as other stakeholders are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot by using the form (*click here*). Additional guidance on the partnership dialogues as circulated by the President of the General Assembly, in a letter dated 6 April 2017, is available on the Conference website (*click here*).

The *special event commemorating World Ocean Day* will be held on Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 in the General Assembly Hall. Further details on the special event will be made available on the Conference website.

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference, the *credentials* of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and submitted to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Rooms S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week* before Monday, 5 June 2017.

The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of the European Union, by the President of the European Council or the President of the European Commission. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Accreditation of official delegations of States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, as well as specialized agencies and related organizations, is handled by the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service via the online system "eAccreditation".

Submission of online accreditation requests for members of the delegations via "eAccreditation" system must be handled by permanent/observer missions and offices in New York, who have already been registered and provided with secure login credential (password).

Delegations wishing to attend the conference are advised to coordinate with their missions/offices in New York for timely submission of accreditation requests. Additional information is available on the Conference website under "Registration" (*click here*).

For the compilation of the "List of Participants to the Conference", representatives of States participating in the Conference, the European Union, intergovernmental organizations and other entities with an office in New York, and specialized agencies and related organizations are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat starting from 30 May 2017. Please be informed that the composition of delegation for the Conference should be submitted via the e-deleGATE electronic portal (https://delegate.un.int). Access to the Conference e-List of Participants will automatically be granted to users that already have access to the Protocol eAccreditation system and the General Assembly plenary e-speakers portal. Please be advised that the Conference e-List of Participants portal will be available from 30 May 2017 until 23 June 2017. A user's guide to the Conference e-List of Participants will be available on the Conference website. Additional questions regarding the Conference e-List of Participants should be directed to the Secretariat (Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben (e-mail freiesleben@un.org).

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations accredited to the Conference without an office in New York, associate members of regional commissions and United Nations organs are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat (Ms. Lourdes Quiogue (e-mail quiogue@un.org)).

The schedule of side events to be organized during the Conference is now available on the Conference website (*click here*).

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal interactive dialogue

Friday, 26 May 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/100, the inclusive and interactive dialogue will focus on "Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions – the role of United Nations special political missions in sustaining peace".

A concept note was sent to Committee members on 11 May 2017 by the secretariat.

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Monday, 15 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292 "Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction"
Preparatory meeting

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

The draft provisional agenda was sent to all those invited to participate in the meeting of the Preparatory Committee in accordance with resolution 69/292. All other documentation will be made available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Eighteenth meeting

15 to 19 May 2017 Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/257, the meeting will focus its discussions on the topic "The effects of climate change on oceans".

The format and annotated provisional agenda of the meeting are contained in document A/AC.259/L.18. The report of the Secretary-General on oceans and the law of the sea, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, is contained in document A/72/70. Both documents, as well as information for participants, are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the Meeting to the Division by *today*, 12 May 2017 (e-mail doalos@un.org; Room DC2-450; fax 1 (917) 367-0560).

States representing a Group of States wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division (e-mail lordr@un.org).

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the eighteenth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart5@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the Informal Consultative Process, please *click here*.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks before* the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Stakeholders briefing

Monday, 15 May 2017

11:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

On the preparation for the tenth session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, a stakeholders briefing will be convened by the President-elect (Bulgaria) of the Conference, along with the participation of Vice-Presidents-elect (Ecuador, Germany, Sri Lanka and Tunisia) and support from the Secretariat.

For further information, please contact the focal points, Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org, with copy to benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4755); and Ms. Asya Tsvetanova, Permanent Mission of Bulgaria to the United Nations (e-mail asya.tsvetannova7@gmail.com).

Conference of the States Parties
Tenth session

13 to 15 June 2017

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *173* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *115* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting

of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States Parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org); or consult the United Nations Enable website (*click here*).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-seventh Meeting

12 to 16 June 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda of the meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.78, available together with other documents of the meeting through the Official Document System of the United Nations (documents.un.org) as well as through the web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Credentials of representatives of States Parties should be transmitted to the Secretariat (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, Room DC2-0450, United Nations, New York, NY 10017) as soon as possible and *no later* than twenty-four hours after the opening of the Meeting on *Monday, 12 June 2017*, signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs or any person authorized by either of them (rule 13 (2) of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4). In conformity with the understanding reached by the twenty-third Meeting of States Parties (see SPLOS/263, paragraph 101), credentials should cover the period from Monday, 20 to Friday, 24 June 2016 and, to the extent practicable, also thereafter until the convening of the twenty-eighth Meeting of States Parties. Timely submission of credentials is essential to ensure the efficient conduct of the election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and the election of twenty-one members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf. Observers are invited to transmit to the Division the names of the representatives who will form part of their delegation *as soon as possible*.

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart5@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties, please *click here*. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Security Council

Monday, 15 May 2017

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security: Sexual violence in conflict as a tactic of war and terrorism" (S/2017/402)

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Coordination and management meeting

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room B

On the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases" (under agenda item 12 (f)) convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation

Wednesday, 17 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 8

On the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system" (under agenda item 12 (c)), convened by the co-facilitators (Algeria and Japan)

Humanitarian affairs segment

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 9

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 11

On the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 9) convened by the Permanent Missions of the Philippines and Switzerland

Second annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

15 and 16 May 2017

Conference Room 4 and Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the second annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Science, technology and innovation for a changing world – focus on SDGs 1, 2, 3, 5, 9 and 14" will be convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe). There will be no pre-determined *list of speakers* and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations, as well as of the United Nations system, who had informed the Secretariat by the announced deadline of 11 May 2017 of their intention to participate in the forum, will be provided with reserved seats in the Conference Room 4 and Trusteeship Council Chamber. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information, including the tentative programme, is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*).

To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.

Forum on financing for development follow-up

22 to 25 May 2017

Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/217 and Economic and Social Council decision 2017/206, the second meeting of the forum will be convened by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe).

The forum will include the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office (*click here*). For further details, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka, FFDO/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

For inclusion in the list of participants, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the forum to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room CB-0125; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

The *general debate* will be held on Monday, 22 May 2017, from 12:00 to 13:00, and on Tuesday, 23 May 2017, from 16:30 to 20:00. Requests for inscription on the list of

speakers should be sent, in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscription in the list of speakers will close by *17:00, on Friday, 19 May 2017*. The *time limit* set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Ministers in attendance at the forum will be invited to make presentations during the ministerial round tables on Tuesday, 23 May 2017. All delegations are reminded to submit their nominations for ministerial participation *as soon as possible* to Ms. Dominika Halka, FFDO/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

To encourage interactive discussion, there will be no pre-determined *list of speakers* for the expert round tables or panel discussions and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

PaperSmart arrangements will be offered as an additional service to the meetings of the forum. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the *PaperSmart Portal* of the Council should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org.

The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) after its delivery by delegations.

Special meeting on innovations for infrastructure development and promoting sustainable industrialization

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting to highlight the relevance of industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe) and will comprise interactive panel discussions. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers, with interventions limited to *three minutes*.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing, no later than noon on Tuesday, 30 May 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants* will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

Delegations are invited to nominate representatives for participation in the preparatory meeting. Please send nominations *as soon as possible* to Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723).

For more information on the special meeting and the preparatory events, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 resumed session

22 to 31 May; and 12 June 2017 Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2017/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbals will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

Monday, 15 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

On the report of UNDP on internal audit and investigation

Wednesday, 17 May 2017

11:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

On UNDP Country Programme Documents (Cameroon)

Friday, 19 May 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

On the cumulative review of the strategic plan 2014-17 and the Annual Report of the Administrator for 2016

All member and observer delegations are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Henrietta Bledman, UNDP (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-5738).

Pre-session informal consultation

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

15:30 to 17:00 Conference Room 6

Annual session 2017

30 May to 9 June 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Executive Board Secretariat (e-mail eb.secretariat@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, *as early as possible*, but *no later than* Monday, 22 May 2017.

The annual session 2017 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

The portal will be accessible by *clicking here*. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP

Monday, 19 June 2017

10:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Informal consultations

Wednesday, 17 May 2017

10:00 to 11:00 Conference Room 6

On UNFPA country programme documents

Tuesday, 23 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

On the UNFPA Strategic Plan and Integrated Budget, 2018-2021

Monday, 5 June 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 11

On the UNFPA Integrated Budget, 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Imelda Katjomuise, UNFPA (e-mail katjomuise@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4927).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Meeting on "Women in Innovation and Connectivity: The Role of the Private Sector" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Malta and the Royal Academy of Science International Trust (RASIT); in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Andorra and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Monday, 15 May 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, contact Ms. Anneliese Sammut, Permanent Mission of Malta (e-mail anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or Mr. Richard Jordan (e-mail nyun@rasit.org).

Event entitled "Amplifying Women's Voices from the Global Displacement Crisis" (organized by the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

10:30 to 12:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Reichenberg, IOM (e-mail areichenberg@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 257); to register, e-mail rsvpnewyork@iom.int.

Panel discussion entitled "Climate Change, Migration and Displacement: New perspectives on Regional Approaches to Climate-induced Migration, Displacement and Relocation" (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

13:00 to 14:45 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail blocher@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387); to register, please *click here*.

Event entitled "Artificial Intelligence and Technology Tools for Mental Health, Wellbeing and Resilience" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Iraq, in collaboration with the International Association of Applied Psychology and the United Nations Major Group for Children and Youth)

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ghazwan Jasim, Permanent Mission of Iraq (e-mail iraq.imun@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 737-4433, ext. 102).

Briefing entitled "Families, Education and Well-Being" (in observance of the International Day of Families (15 May)) (co-organized by NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI); and the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 18 May 2017

11:00 to 12:45 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

High-level discussion on "Gateway Portals to the City: Infrastructure for Sustainable Urbanization" (co-organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization (CSU) and the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter (AIA-NY))

Friday, 19 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

For further information, please contact UN-Habitat (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200).

Event on "The role of Muslim Humanitarian and Development Organizations in and around Conflict Zones" (A/RES/69/312) (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC), the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on Engaging Faith based Organizations for the Millennium Development Goals, in collaboration with the European Commission, the British Council and the Georgia State University)

Monday, 22 and Tuesday, 23 May 2017

09:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 9

For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Nathalie Guillaume, UNAOC (e-mail nathalieg@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6211).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *May 2017*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents

General Assembly Documentation (English and French)

Security Council documentation

Finding Speeches

Voting Information

Treaty Research

Introduction to Library Services

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For further information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific: Deadline for applications – 31 May 2017

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from Monday, 20 November to Friday, 15 December 2017. This course is open for candidates from Member States and Non-Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States.

Applications for the 2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific are now being accepted. *The deadline for applications is Wednesday, 31 May 2017*. The Regional Course will be conducted in *English* in 2017.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (*click here* for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week* before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309).

For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free.

Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the

United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 11 May 2017

Security Council

[archived video]

7936th meeting

Briefings by Chairs of subsidiary bodies of the Security Council

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a joint statement by His Excellency Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta, on behalf of the Committees established pursuant to resolutions 1267 and 1989, 1373 and 1540.

The Council heard briefings by His Excellency Kairat Umarov (Kazakhstan), Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities; by His Excellency Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta (Egypt), Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism; and by His Excellency Sacha Sergio Llorentty Soliz (Bolivia (Plurinational State of)), Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004).

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Japan, the United Kingdom, Italy, Ukraine, France, China, Sweden,

Ethiopia and Senegal; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Uruguay.

7937th meeting — *Identical letters dated 19 January 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (S/2016/53)*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council began its consideration of the item and adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2017/6).

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[archived video]

81st plenary meeting — *Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/71/589/Add.2)* [item 115 (a)]

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 3 of its report (A/71/589/Add.2), appointed Mr. Olivier Myard (France) as a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a term of office beginning on 11 May 2017 and ending on 31 December 2019.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 115.

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/71/590/Add.2) [item 115 (b)]

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 3 of its report (A/71/590/Add.2), appointed Ms. Zhang Wei (China) as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on 11 May 2017 and ending on 31 December 2017.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 115.

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [item 7]

The General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 115.

Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/71/592/Add.1) [item 115 (d)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 115.

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 3 of its report (A/71/592/Add.1), appointed Mr. Vladimir Storozhev (Russian Federation) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 11 May 2017 and ending on 31 December 2020.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 115.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

[archived video]

34th meeting

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [item 136]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management updated the Committee on the financial situation of the Organization (A/70/440/Add.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand (CANZ)), China, Cuba and Japan.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management responded to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

Other matters

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations made remarks.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [item 149]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Support Account for peacekeeping operations

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Support Account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 (A/71/726 and A/71/726/Add.1); and on the budget for the Support Account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 (A/71/806).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/883).

The attention of the Committee was drawn to the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the Support Account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 (A/71/800) and a statement by the Chair of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and India.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

The Vice-Chair (Serbia) informed the Committee that informal consultations on the item would be held on that day, Thursday, 11 May, in the afternoon, and would be coordinated by Ms. Diana Lee (Singapore) and Rapporteur of the Committee.

Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic [item 151]

Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali [item 159]

Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan [item 161]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced in one statement, the reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/651, A/71/819, A/71/690, A/71/842, A/71/653 and A/71/841).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/71/836/Add.8, A/71/836/Add.14 and A/71/836/Add.15).

In the absence of speakers the Committee concluded its general discussion of these agenda items.

The Vice-Chair (Serbia) informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Thursday, 11 May, immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting on agenda item 159, and would be coordinated by Ms. Anda Grinberga (Latvia).

The Chair further informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on Friday, 12 May, in the afternoon, on agenda items: 151, which would be coordinated by Ms. Hanna Bodenmann (Switzerland); and 161, which would be coordinated by Mr. Stefan Pretterhofer (Austria) and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Thursday, 11 May 2017

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3356th meeting *Protection of the atmosphere*

The Commission continued its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's fourth report on the topic (A/CN.4/705).

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Twentieth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

7th meeting

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels [item 2]

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Hungary), as Facilitator of the draft resolution.

Science and technology for development [item 3]

Priority themes

(a) New innovation approaches to support the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals

(b) The role of science, technology and innovation in ensuring food security by 2030

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Austria), as Facilitator of the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a clarification on the organization of work.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the United Kingdom.

A statement was made by the Chair.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration. New York, 10 December 2014

Signature: Cameroon (11 May 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Republic of Cameroon
His Excellency Michel Tommo Monthe

Asia-Pacific States
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Her Excellency Amatlain Elizabeth Kabua

Eastern European States
Republic of Poland
His Excellency Bogusław Winid

Latin American and Caribbean States
Haiti
His Excellency Denis Régis

Western European and other States
Austria
His Excellency Jan Kickert

General Assembly

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For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly. The co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at http://delegate.un.int. Permanent missions to the United Nations are invited to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch

(e-mail gaplenarye-sponsorship@un.org) of those accredited delegates who should be granted access to General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship, using a registration form that was provided to the missions and is available on the General Assembly website (*click here*). Based on the information received, delegates will be issued a username and a password to access the Portal.

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The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*. There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

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Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-second session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-second regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/72/50.

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For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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